

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE BILL (H.R. 3355) TO ENSURE THE  
AVAILABILITY AND AFFORDABILITY OF HOMEOWNERS' INSURANCE  
COVERAGE FOR CATASTROPHIC EVENTS

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NOVEMBER 6, 2007.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

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Ms. CASTOR, from the Committee on Rules,  
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 802]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 802, by a nonrecord vote, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of H.R. 3355, the Homeowners' Defense Act of 2007, under an open rule with a preprinting requirement. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Financial Services. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the Committee on Financial Services amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. The amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order except clause 10 of rule XXI against the amendment in the nature of a substitute. This waiver does not affect the point of order available under clause 9 of rule XXI (regarding earmark disclosure).

The rule provides that notwithstanding clause 11 of rule XVIII, no amendment to the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute shall be in order except those printed in the portion of the Congressional Record designated for that purpose in clause 8 of rule XVIII and except pro forma amendments for the purpose of debate. Each amendment so printed may be offered only by the Member who caused it to be printed or a designee and shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule also provides that, notwithstanding the operation of the previous question, the Chair may postpone further consideration of the bill to a time designated by the Speaker.

## EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

Although the rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill (except for clauses 9 and 10 of rule XXI), the committee is not aware of any points of order against consideration. The waiver is prophylactic in nature. The waiver of all points of order against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute (except for clause 10 of rule XXI) includes a waiver of clause 4 of rule XXI (prohibiting appropriations in legislative bills).

## COMMITTEE VOTES

The results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

*Rules Committee record vote No. 384*

Date: November 6, 2007.

Measure: H.R. 3355.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To grant an open rule.

Results: Defeated 3–8.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Diaz-Balart—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.